## FOUNTAIN HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

REMINDS YOU...



## IT'S SNAKE SEASON!

## PROTECT YOURSELF

- Remain alert to potential presence of snakes.
- Illuminate walkways and keep clear of vegetation.
- Block access points to enclosed yards.
- Install gates firmly against the ground.
- Keep home and garage doors closed.





# DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO YOU!



## **SNAKE STATISTICS**

Fountain Hills Fire Dept. responded to:

- 1,092 snake removal calls in 2004
- 829 snake removal calls in 2005

Many more of these calls can be reduced with the following considerations prior to calling for assistance:

## The Fountain Hills Fire Department wants to help:

#### Please call us if:

- Someone is bitten. (Call 911)
- A snake is <u>IN</u> your house or garage, or blocking access.
- It is an <u>immediate life-</u>
   <u>threat</u> to people or pets.
- It is in a fenced yard and can't get out.
- Call non-emergency (480) 945-6311

#### Please hold your call if:

- The snake is non-venomous.
- The snake is not a threat.
- It is in the street or crossing your property.
- Late evenings; it will likely be gone by morning.
- You have lost sight of the snake.

There's a good chance the snake has moved on!

Fountain Hills has many native non-venomous snakes.



These friendly snakes feed on rodents and keep rattlesnakes away.

## **SNAKES HELP MAINTAIN**



**OUR NATURAL ECOSYSTEM** 



# BUT...IF YOU NEED US, WE'RE HERE FOR YOU. YOUR FOUNTAIN HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

